

REGION IV – NORTHEAST HUMAN SERVICE CENTER

Ruth Meiers Adolescent Residential Treatment Center

Summary of Services:

The Ruth Meiers Adolescent Residential Treatment Center provides residential treatment for youth aged 12 to 17, experiencing serious emotional disturbance. The facility, which opened in 1989 provides a supervised, structured living environment for up to 12 boys and girls. The program is designed to assist youth in developing and maintaining the ability to function in a productive manner within their families and communities. Types of issues that a child may have upon admission to Ruth Meiers include physical, verbal and/or passive aggression, sexual abuse, alcohol/drug/inhalant recovery, sexual acting out, sexual offending behavior, hyperactivity, attention deficits, physical abuse, social skills, family issues, neglect. Many of the youth are experiencing a number of the issues listed.

Youth residing at Ruth Meiers may receive the following services, independent living skills, psychiatric services, behavioral services, alcohol and other drug abuse prevention/education, individual therapy, reality therapy, family therapy, group therapy, social skills training, anger management training, mood management training.

Major Sources of Federal and Special/Other Funds:

Medical Assistance – Title XIX

Foster Care IV-E

Biennium	1999 – 2001		2001 – 2003		2003 – 2005	
Funding by Funding Source	Total	1,312,033	Total	1,524,413	Total	1,945,433
	General	522,907	General	749,789	General	545,016
	Federal	464,070	Federal	714,624	Federal	1,327,207 ¹
	Other	325,056	Other	60,000	Other	73,210
FTEs	12.8		13.3		13.3	
Children/Adolescents Served	59		63		38 thru Aug'04	

¹ When the budget for Ruth Meiers was restored by the 2003 Legislative Assembly, \$ 612,583 undesignated federal funding authority was added in and \$ 204,773 of general funds were removed. There is no expectation of receiving federal funding to utilize the majority of the federal authority.

NOTE: These amounts are included in the Mental Health / Substance Abuse program area.